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TO: Interagency Group on Rwanda
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SUBJECT: Rwanda: UN Options for Security in the Camps

DPKO has received several reports in the last week from the UN-Zaire Joint Working Group (led by the Deputy Force Commander of UNAMIR) and from SRSG Khan. USUN has not received copies of the reports, but has been briefed on their conclusions.

Jt. Working Group Conclusions:

UN Report

The initial report submitted by the UN participants concludes that a 10,000-12,000 size force is required to separate and move the militia, leaders, and the army and contain them thereafter. It also concludes that the only force capable of accomplishing this mandate is a strong national force or multinational force consisting mainly of one strong state.

The report also stresses the need to start a political dialogue between refugee leaders and the Government of Rwanda as well as initiate significant social and economic reconstruction inside the country.

Joint Report

The formal report includes Zairian input, but contains a less substantive discussion of the options. It proposes three options:

- o A purely diplomatic approach to removing military, militia and leaders from the camps.
- o Joint Zairian/UN and Tanzania/UN Ch VII operations. Zaire and Tanzania would have the leading role and the UN would provide logistical and other support.
- o The recommended option is a Ch VII national operation as described in the UN report above.

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SRSG Recommendation:

In his initial submission the SRSG recommended a smaller UN force (size undefined). The force would provide security for humanitarian operations and attempt to "suppress" the militia through presence. Ch VII authority was recommended. / X

Khan also emphasized political dialogue and socioeconomic reconstruction as integral components of the operation.

The SRSG submitted a second recommendation after DPKO requested a Ch VI option. He suggested a UN operation that would train Zairian and Tanzanian forces to police the refugee camps and protect humanitarian workers. This option would presumably include material assistance as well.

SYG Report:

After this week's interagency meeting, DPKO will develop its own report to submit to the Council. It will probably present a range of options based on the submissions of the Jt. Working Group and the SRSG and USG input.

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